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Shalom Z. Hirschman et al.

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A Method of Determining Down-Regulation of

the Expression of HIV Coreceptor, CCR5 With

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AMENDMENT

SIR:

In further response to the final Office Action dated May 7, 2002 and Advisory Action dated September 17, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1 and 7 as follows:

- 1. (four-time amended) A method for determining down-regulation of gene expression of a human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) coreceptor, comprising the steps of:
 - a) culturing cells capable of expressing said human HIV coreceptor;
 - b) dividing said cultured cells into a plurality of groups;

REQUEST Application Number **FOR** February 25, 1999 Filing Date IUED EXAMINATION (RCE) Shalom Z. Hirschman First Named Inventor TRANSMITTAL 1648 Group Art Unit Subsection (b) of 35 USC §132, effective on May 29. 2000, R. Budens **Examiner Name** provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8. 1995. 4493-36ARCE See The American inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA). Attorney Docket Number This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000 applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (April 11, 2000), which established RCE practice. 1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 a. [x] Previously submitted i. [x] Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on August 5, 2002. (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered). Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on RECEIVED iii.∏ Other b. [x] Enclosed OCT 1 0 20b2 i. [x] Amendment/Reply Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) TECH CENTER 1600/2900 Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) iv. [] Other 2. Miscellaneous Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed three months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(I) required) Other ъ. П Fees The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. 1.114 when the RCE is filed. a. [x] The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No.: 03-2412. 10/09/2002 HBERHE 00000002 032412 i. [x] RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R.§ 1.17(e) ii. [x] Extension of time fee (37C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17) 01 FC:279 370.00 OP iii.[x] Small Entity Status is being claimed for this application. Other vi.Π b. [x] Check in the amount of \$370.00 enclosed. c. [] Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed) SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

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